



## Legislation Text

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**To:** Harris County Commissioners Court

**Through:** Jim Bethke, Director, Justice Administration Department

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**Subject:** REPORT: U-Visa: A Critical Tool for Law Enforcement to Support Survivors of Crime and Build Community Resiliency

**Project ID (If applicable):**

**Purpose and Request:**

*Transmittal of a memo regarding the current policies related to the completion of Form I-918B and recommendations at the federal, state, and local levels.*

**Background and Discussion:**

*On November 10, 2020, Commissioners Court approved a motion made by Commissioner Garcia for the Justice Administration Department (JAD) to draft a plan for the drafting of a model procedure for law enforcement agencies for processing requests for the completion of Form I-918 Supplement B and the promotion of said procedure to local law enforcement agencies. This memo provides an update to Commissioners Court regarding the status of this request.*

**Fiscal Impact:**

n/a

Fiscal Summary			
Expenditures	FY 20-21	FY 21-22 Projected	Future Years Projected [3 additional years]
<b>Service Impacted:</b> <i>[Please identify division where expenditure is incurred]</i>			
Existing Budget			
Additional Appropriation Requested			
<b>Total Expenditures</b>			
<b>Funding Sources</b>			
Existing Department Budget			
Please Identify Funding Source: Special Revenue, Grant, etc.			
[INSERT FUNDING SOURCE]			
<b>Total Sources</b>			

**Alternatives:**

*n/a*

**Alignment with Strategic Objective:**

*This item aligns with the JAD strategic objectives of better understanding the needs of survivors of crime and any service gaps that exist; and increasing transparency, accountability, public trust, and confidence in Harris County's justice system.*

**Attachments:**

*Supporting Analysis of U-Visa Policies Memorandum to Commissioners Court.*